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At a Court held for Goochland County Dec'r 15 1783. This writing was proved by the oaths of Geo Payne John Lewis & Joseph Lewis to be the last Will & Testament of William Robards Decd. & was ordered to be Recorded.

Teste:

G. PAYNE, *Cl. Ct.*

THE TOWLES FAMILY.

(CONTINUED FROM APRIL, 1901.)

32. DR. JOHN[5] TOWLES (*Thomas*[4]), born May 8, 1779, at "Millbrook," Va.; died October 26, 1832, at "Rickahock" plantation, St. Mary's Parish, La., of yellow fever. He was a physician and sugar planter, and went to Louisiana in 1804. He married, first, at Baton Rouge, La., October 9, 1809, Susan (born May 17, 1793), daughter of John and Catherine (Rucker) Turnbull; second, Ann Alexander Conrad, of Virginia.

Issue (1st m.): 63. Catherine Sarah B., born March 11, 1812, died September 14, 1814; 64. Mary Elizabeth, born and died in 1814; 65. *John Turnbull.*

33. THOMAS[5] TOWLES (*Thomas*[4]), born June 1, 1784; died December 12, 1850. He studied law in Virginia, and removed to Henderson county, Ky., in 1806, and was a magistrate of that county continuously from 1822 to 1844. On October 28, 1815, he was appointed, by President Madison, a judge of Illinois territory. He married, first, in 1809, Ann Taylor, daughter of General Samuel Hopkins; second, April 23, 1816, Elizabeth, daughter of Walter Alves, of Kentucky.

Issue (1st m.): 66. *Thomas;*[6] (2d m.) 67. Ann Taylor, born April 5, 1814, died August 19, 1825; 68. Emily Johnston, born August 16, 1818, died August 29, 1818; 69 Mary Smith, born April 13, 1820, died August 31, 1834; 70. *Walter Alves;*[6] 71. *John James;*[6] 72. Bettie,[6] born August 2, 1829, married William T. Barret, from Louisa county, Va.; 82-83-84 died infants.

34. HENRY[5] TOWLES (*Thomas*[4]), born June 25, 1786; died at Ruddles Mills, Bourbon county, Ky., in 1854. After coming to Kentucky he joined Capt. William Garrard's company of mounted men, of Major James V. Ball's squadron volunteers, October 31, 1812, and was at the siege of Fort Meigs. He amassed a large fortune; but failed in the stringent times of 1842 for $120,000. He married, first, Sally Bedford, of Bourbon county (born July 14, 1801), and, second, ———, and by this marriage had one child, George Washington Towles.[6]

Issue (1st m.): 63. Mary Smith, born August 20, 1817; 64. Thomas Bedford; 65. John,[6] born February 5, 1821, married Nancy Neal of Bourbon county, died ——; had a son, John Turner[7] Towles, who was a Confederate soldier, was born October 14, 1842, and died in Mason

county, Ky.; 66. Elizabeth Frances, born March 26, 1822; 67. Benjamin Bedford, born October 17, 1824; 68. Henry Clay, born November 28, 1828; 69. Tabitha Povall, born March 18, 1831; 70. *Larkin*[6] *Smith.* All the children of Henry and Sally Towles died unmarried, except Larkin Smith.

35. THERIT[5] TOWLES (*Thomas*[4]) was born May 8, 1788; died ——; lived at "Clover Forest," Spotsylvania county; was a Captain of Virginia Militia in the War of 1812, served several terms in the Legislature, and was county clerk at the time of his death. He married Ann Walker, daughter of John and Mary (Walker) Smith, of Madison county.

Issue: 71. *Thomas Therit;*[6] 72. *John Newton;*[6] 73. Mary Smith, married Rev. William R. Powell.

44. PORTEUS[4] TOWLES (*Stokeley*[5]), born January 3, 1777; died March 8, 1821; married his cousin, Frances, daughter of Col. Henry Towles.

Issue: 74. *William Henry;*[6] 75. Maria Frances,[6] born April 23, 1806, died 1882, married Wycliffe George; 76. *James Stockley;*[6] 77. *Porteus;*[6] 78. *Oliver.*[6]

45. THOMAS[5] TOWLES (*Stokeley*[4]) married, first, —— Stubblefield; second, ———, and had issue.

47. WILLIAM[5] TOWLES (*Stokeley*[4]), married Lucy Digges and had issue.

48. RAWLEIGH DOWNMAN[5] TOWLES (*Stokeley*[4]), married, first, Fidelia Bellfield Chinn Jeffries, of Virginia; second, —— Salle.

Issue (first marriage): 79. Robert Porteus, born April 12, 1817, married Harry Ann Roach, of Mercer county, Kentucky; 80. Price C , born March 17, 1819; married —— Frazier, of Jessamine county, Ky., and died soon after marriage; 81. Rawleigh Downman,[6] born January 14, 1821; married, first, Mary Lewis, daughter of Dr. James Stevenson Littlepage, of Anderson county, Ky. (a nephew of Hon. Andrew Stevenson), and second, ——; moved, after second marriage, from Kentucky to Missouri. Had a son and two daughters by the first marriage; 82. Betsy H.[6] born July 22d, 1822; 83. Horacina,[6] born September 5, 1824; 84. Matilda Jeffries,[6] born February 4, 1826; 85. Fidelia Bellfield,[6] born March 26, 1828; 86. Alfred Newton,[6] born October 31, 1829; 87. Catherine Marion,[6] born January 1st, 1835; Olivia,[6] born October 9, 1836.

50. COLONEL OLIVER[5] TOWLES (*Oliver*[4]), of Campbell county, Va., an officer in the War of 1812; married, 1794, Agatha (born 1774, died 1843), daughter of Colonel William Lewis, of Sweet Springs.

Issue: 89. Anne Maria, born October 8, 1795, died in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1841; married, April 26, 1815, Dr. Landon Cabell Rives, who removed to Cincinnati in 1829; 90. Oliver Montgomery, died unmarried in 1831; 91. Elizabeth Lewis, born 1801, married Rev. John Blair Dabney; 92. *William Beverley;*[6] 93. Margaret Caroline, married Edward W. Simms; 94. Thomas Henry, died unmarried in 1847; 95. John, died unmarried

in 1844; 96. Alfred Lewis,[5] married Jane Vaughan, of Missouri, and had two children.

53. JAMES[6] TOWLES (*Henry*[5]), lived in Lancaster county, Va. He married Alice Chilton of that county and had issue: Gilbert B., and H. O. Towles, of Washington, D. C.

54. REV. JOHN[6] TOWLES (*James*[5]), of Lancaster county, born February 21, 1813; died April 16, 1885; married Sophronia, daughter of Colonel John Chowning, of Lancaster county.

Issue: 97. Vivian; 98. Robert; 99. James (these three brothers were soldiers in the Confederate Army and were killed in battle); 100. Rosalie, died aged 14 years; 101. Ella, married ——— Poole; 102. Churchill, married and lived in Houston, Texas; 103. Dr. LeRoy, of Accokeek, Prince Georges county, Md.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

ADAMS FAMILY OF MARYLAND AND VIRGINIA.

(CONTINUED FROM VOL. VIII, 421.)

V. FRANCIS ADAMS (Josias Peake,[4] Abednego,[3] Francis,[2] Francis[1]), of Alexandria, Va., and Matanzas, Cuba, merchant, born 22d July, 1792; died 1st May, 1825. About 1813 he established himself in Alexandria under the firm of Adams, Herbert & Co., and carried on an extensive shipping and commission business with Europe and the West Indies. He married, 20th December, 1814, Mary Ricketts (daughter of William and Jane Barr (Stewart) Newton, of Alexandria, and sister of Commodore John Thomas Newton, U. S. N., born in Alexandria 12th March, 1795, died in Brooklyn, N. Y., 27th February, 1869, buried at Norwich, Conn.) He served in the war of 1812 as a private in Capt. Chas. McKnight's Company 1st Regiment District of Columbia Militia; and from 1815 to 1818 was a Vestryman of "Christ Church," Alexandria. On 3rd March, 1819, he was appointed U. S. Consul at Trieste, Austria; and on 8th August, 1823, U. S. Consular Agent at Matanzas, Cuba, at which latter place he established the firm of Lattino, Adams & Stewart, and bought a coffee estate, which he named "Mount Vernon," and on which he was buried.

We are indebted to the late Mrs. Chas. W. Woolsey, of New York city (his sister-in-law), for the following sketch of him: "Mr. Francis Adams was a man of rare purity of mind and morals; of great refinement; a charming companion in social and domestic life; highly cultivated and accomplished; and all this combined with very unusual business abilities and a most winning and gentlemanly address, which made him friends of all who knew him." He left issue:

Jane Newton,[6] born, Alexandria, Va., 15th March, 1816; died, Utica,